

# A WORD OR 2

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*“Black Nationalism is the only real solution for Black People in the United States.”*

## Believing The White Media

For three decades I have warned Black People about the white media. In the 1970s, I wrote several articles. One included the following excerpts:

“Since the 1770s the same press which was hailed as the guardian of a democratic people has been usurped and expanded by that group of individuals which is threatened by democracy. That group has since that time changed the press from a savior of the people to a threat to the people... Its purpose is not to report the news but to dictate the selfish views of the new King Georges.”

As a result, what people get from the press is “less and less news, more and more self-serving views. Less and less news that will help Us grow, more and more views that will freeze Our development... Less and less news, more and more views.”

Here we are more than 30 years later, and some Black individuals who call themselves progressive minded still take what the white press publicizes and treat it as if it is reliable information. After all of the times the white press has misrepresented what takes place in the Black community and the world, no clear headed Black individual should take ANYTHING the white press says at face value. Whether it is a weapons of mass destruction type story, or a story about an everyday person walking down the street, if it appears in the white press aware Black individuals should ignore it the way they would any other gossip. We should know by now that the press is more intent on misinforming, dis-informing and lying than providing people with the factual information they need to come to an accurate or reliable conclusion. By now, We should realize that their stories are more apt to freeze Our development and send Us off on worthless tangents than serve a constructive purpose for Us.

In a recent Black Eye News Item, I stated that Black People in the United States seem to have a

low political and economic IQ. There is no doubt that white power is the enemy of Black People. But, based on many of the responses of Black individuals, there is some doubt as to whether or not Black People realize what having white power as an enemy actually means. One thing an intelligent person does is NOT trust the enemy; not what is seen on the enemy’s television, not what is heard on the enemy’s radio, not what is read in the enemy’s newspapers. Too many Black individuals, on the other hand, don’t just trust the white press, they can’t seem to get enough of it.

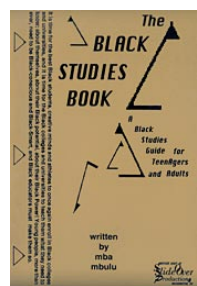
There is something Black People in the United States can easily do that will increase Our chances of making substantial progress; stop looking at white America’s television, listening to white America’s radio and reading white America’s newspapers so much. If Our political IQ was par for the course, We could do that almost effortlessly. But Our political IQ is less than average right now, so doing what is good for Us requires more of an effort than it should.



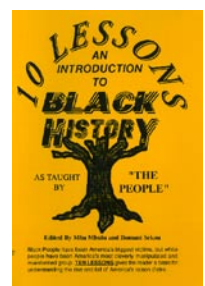
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